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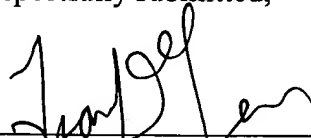
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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

ON COVER PAGE AT (73) ASSIGNEE

“Canon Kabushiki Kaisha, Tokyo (JP)” should read --Canon Kabushiki Kaisha, Tokyo (JP), and Hitachi Ltd., Tokyo (JP)--.

ON COVER PAGE AT (56) U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Insert: --6,614,034 B2 9/2003 Nakasuji--.

COLUMN 2

Line 23, “ 9.1×10^{-3} (kg)” should read -- 9.1×10^{-31} (kg)--; and
Line 24, “ 1.6×10^{-8} (C)” should read -- 1.6×10^{-19} (C)--.

COLUMN 3

Line 6, close up right margin;
Line 7, “A” should be deleted, and close up left margin.

COLUMN 9

Line 30, “an” should read --a--.

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